Oklahoma State Senate



The Oklahoma Legislature is excited to partner with Dave's Redistricting App, a free redistricting mapping resource that Oklahomans can utilize to engage in the redistricting process and try their hand at drawing state legislative districts.

Dave's Redistricting App is free to use. Sign up and log in through the following link to create an account: https://davesredistricting.org/maps#home

Oklahomans can draw a district map for either the 48-seat state Senate or the 101-seat state House. There are video tutorials on how to get started at <u>DRA on YouTube</u> or you may opt to join the House and Senate redistricting office on Monday, March 1, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. for a virtual training event. Dave's Redistricting has also published "how to" content at https://medium.com/dra-2020.

Getting started with your map

To get started, create an account and click the blue "+ New Map" button in the top right hand corner.

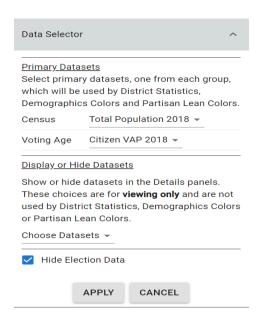
You will first name your map. To ensure that the House & Senate redistricting offices can easily search for your maps, please include "okleg" in the naming convention (i.e. okleg HD Plan) or utilize the labeling feature on DRA.

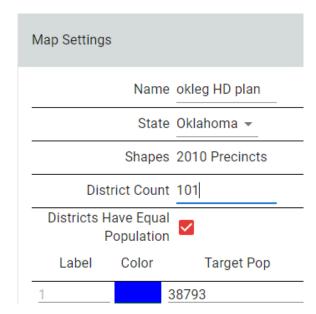
Select Oklahoma as your state.

There are 101 state House districts and 48 state Senate districts. For "District Count," type in either 48 (Senate plan) or 101 (House plan).

Under the "Data Selector" settings, please update the "Census" column to "Total Population 2018" and "Voting Age" to "Citizen VAP 2018." Using these datasets will allow users to draw district plans that more accurately reflect population and demographic shifts across the state. For more information about the data sources, please consult this page: https://davesredistricting.org/maps#aboutdata

While the Oklahoma Legislature does not include election data in its redistricting database, this is a feature that Dave's Restricting App provides. As a user, you can elect to hide election data. Scroll to the very bottom and click "Apply." Your blank map is set up and ready to get started.





Submitting your map to the Legislature

When you have completed your statewide map, publish your map, which makes it public. For Senate plans, email the URL and block assignment file to the Senate Redistricting Office at redistricting@oksenate.gov. For House plans, email the URL and block assignment file to the House Redistricting Office redistrictOklahoma2020@okhouse.gov. For each submission, please include the following information in your email. Please do not submit partial maps, only statewide maps will be accepted.

- 1. Name
- 2. Organization (if applicable)
- 3. Contact Information (including phone, email and address)
- 4. Statement that summarizes the principles/criteria prioritized while drawing the map being submitted (i.e. equal population, limit splitting of political subdivisions, communities of interest, maintaining rural representation, etc.)
- 5. URL link to the map being submitted from <u>Dave's Redistricting App</u>, block assignment file and any other supporting documents. To generate a shareable URL, click on the "Share Map" button in the upper right corner and copy that link. To generate a block assignment file, click on the "Export Map" button, also in the upper right corner and download. Make sure to attach it your email.

If you are using other free or commercially available mapping software, we ask that you email your plan to the House or Senate redistricting office in a compatible electronic format (i.e. block equivalency file) that contains a 15-digit GEOID code for each Oklahoma census block and a corresponding district assignment. We also ask that you identify your data source and only use population data derived from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Who will see your map and how will it be considered?

The public map submission process serves as another opportunity for the public to have input and make recommendations on how legislative districts should be drawn to maximize representation for all Oklahomans. The submission deadline will be 5:00 p.m., Sunday, April 4, 2021. Once the submission deadline is over, a representative of the committee will be in touch and may invite you to present your map to the committee. If you created your plan through Dave's Redistricting App and make it public with the "okleg" designation, we will link to the plan on our redistricting websites.

The Senate Select Committee on Redistricting plans to hold at least one (1) meeting during the week of April 12, 2021, through April 15, 2021, to consider public map submissions for Senate district plans.

The House State and Federal Redistricting Committee plans to hold at least one (1) meeting during the week of April 12, 202,1 through April 15, 2021, to consider public map submissions for House district plans.